

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

To : Director of Central Intelligence 26 March 1948
From: Assistant Director, Reports and Estimates
Subject: Project OO-20

Reference (a): DCI Memorandum, 23 March 1948, same subject
(b): OO Memorandum to Exec. for A&M, 30 January 1948, same subject

Enclosure : AD/ORE Memorandum to AD/OO, 14 January 1948, same subject (copy)

1. Reference (a) states in substance that information has been received that despite the fact that OO and ORE were informed by a memorandum dated 26 December 1947 that the Director of Central Intelligence had approved Project OO-20 on 23 December 1947, no action has been taken to implement this project. Reference (a) refers to Reference (b) and further states, in effect, that OO and ORE have been awaiting further instructions prior to implementing the project, and directs ORE to provide OO with a statement of requirements at the earliest possible date.

2. Insofar as ORE is concerned, the statements that no action has been taken towards implementing this project and that further instructions are being awaited prior to implementation, are erroneous.

3. As clearly set forth in the first sentence of paragraph 1 of Reference (b), the requirements for Project OO-20 were furnished OO by ORE under date of 14 January 1948. A copy of the pertinent memorandum is attached hereto.

4. Reference (a) directs ORE to furnish OO with requirements for Project OO-20 as soon as possible. In view of the fact that such requirements were sent forward on 14 January 1948, and Reference (b) indicates that they were received by OO, information is requested as to any additional steps it is desired that ORE take in order to comply with the directive contained in Reference (a).

/s/
THEODORE BABBITT

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